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They are at it again...

In case you haven't heard the CB'ers are at it again. SKIP has been receiving all kinds of correspondence and newspaper clippings about the CB groups pushing for their special License Tags in 1972.

The following notices of pre-filed bills in the Florida Legislature have recently appeared in the Orlando Sentinel:

HB-2627 — LICENSE PLATES — by Shaw — Authorizes citizens band radio station operators to be issued a special auto license tag. (Transportation; Finance & Taxation; Appropriations).

HB-2684 — LICENSE TAGS — by Sykes — Authorizes issuance of special license tags to citizens' band radio operators for use on pick-up trucks and station wagons. (Transportation; Finance & Taxation; Appropriations).

FLORIDA QSO PARTY

ONCE AGAIN Florida Skip will sponsor the Florida QSO party. Mark down the dates of April 1st and 2nd. Rules will be about the same except delete the "Florida multi-Operator" trophy and add "Club aggregate Score" trophy. This year's QSO Chairman, Charlie Trice, WA4RRB of North Miami advises the 8th Annual Florida QSO Party will be run through the computers which should give a smooth operation. For advance copies of the rules, send a self-address stamped envelope (SASE) to Florida SKIP, Box 501, Miami Springs, FL 33166.

SB-37 — LICENSE TAGS — by Gunter — Provides for special license tags for AMATEUR citizens' band radio operators. (Transportation).

It appears someone sold Mr. Gunter a bill of goods as he has been always strong on Law and Order. It is incongruous that he should now espouse the cause of a large number of transgressors. It is hoped that some of our more affluent

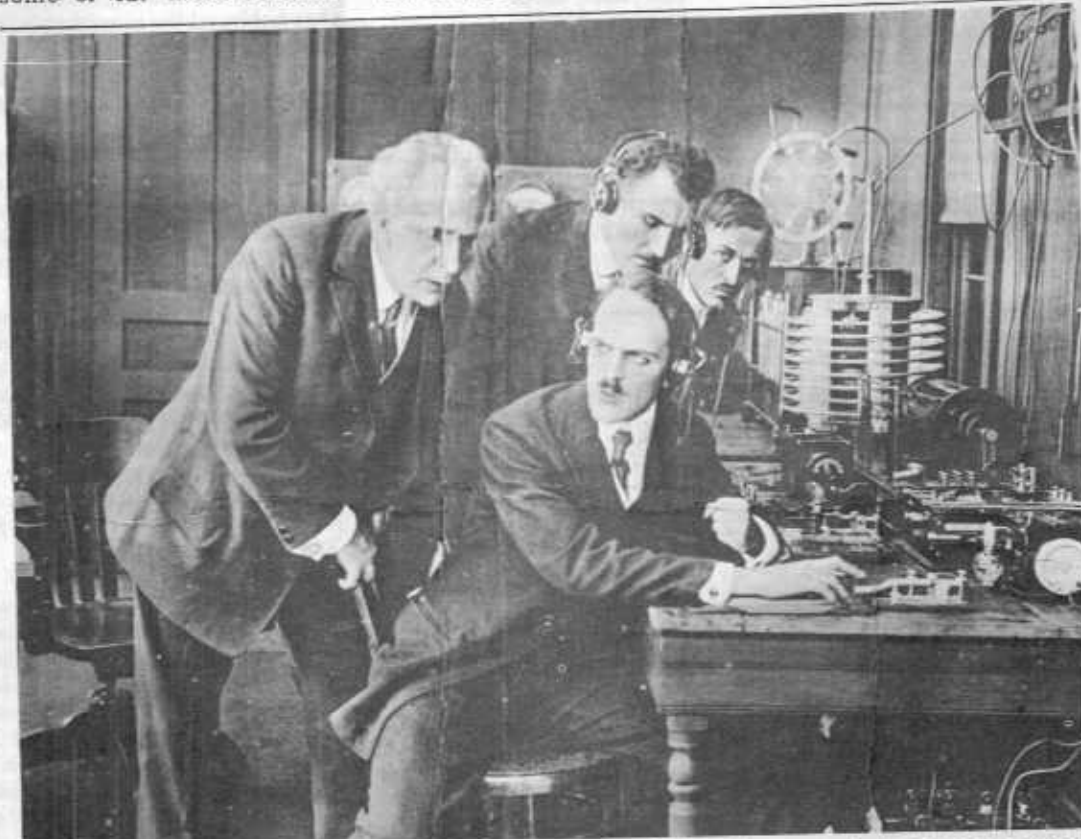
amateur members of the Orlando area will take the opportunity to visit with Mr. Gunter and acquaint him with the facts of the cause. For those who would care to drop him a line his address is: Senator William Gunter, P.O. Box 14001, Orlando, Fla. 32807.

So be advised and watch for more details in next month's FLORIDA SKIP. Remember what happened in 1971.

ELECTION RESULTS

For those who haven't heard, here are the results of the S.E. Div. ARRL election. For Director: Philip A. McMasters, W4BCZ 691 votes. Dale H. Strieter, W4DQS 1,941 votes. For Vice Director: John F. Porter, W4KGJ 1,269 votes and Larry E. Price, W4DQD 1,356 votes. Congratulations to the winners.

W4DQS and W4DQD serve a two-year term commencing at noon on January 1, 1972. Please continue to give them support.



"THE NATION'S PERIL" filmed in 1914 by Lubin Motion Picture Co. was made to arouse the public of the imminent World War I. One of the stars was Tom Appleby, W3AX (nearest rotary spark gap). Tom who held the oldest ham license in the USA became a silent key Nov. 16th. See "Letters to Editor" for details. (Photo via K4GT)

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Letters To Editor

EDITOR,

Congratulations on walking off with all those FIRST PLACE AWARDS in the Amateur Radio News Service publications contest. Your publication is GREAT! You and the entire staff are to be commended. Wishing you, W4GGQ, and all the "harmonies" many more years of success!

MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Angie WB4JH and Regis W4ILE
Miami, Fla.

Editor:

Aloha from Hawaii! I thought that I had better drop a line your way with the new address. I sure enjoy the sun here and can't wait to get the station set-up again.

If any of the old gang is coming this way be certain to contact me and I will be glad to serve as best I can. Will be available for sched.

We sure miss that Florida bunch. If you would please list my new address in Skip for all my enemies to see it would be nice. I am looking forward to receiving Florida Skip.

Key West was never like this.

Aloha and Mahalo
Ron W. Auld, WB4QKR-KH6HOW
91-1154 Hanakahi St.
Ewa Beach, Hawaii
96706

Editor:

I just took an early retirement and sold out in Ohio and bought a home on Sanibel

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GUEST EDITORIAL

C. C. DRUMELLER, W5JJ

THE DECLINE AND FALL OF THE RADIO MAGAZINE

Have you noticed how all the "radio" magazines have drifted into the stance of being electronic gadget or commercial equipment magazines? The slipping into this category started quite some years ago, but within the past three years it has become well-nigh universal.

"Popular Electronics" at one time devoted most of its pages to radio devices: receivers and even a few transmitters. No more, though. Radio has been forgotten.

"Radio News-Radiocraft-Radio-Electronics: at one time used most of its pages for articles on building radio sets of various types. Now it's strictly for TV repairers.

"Electronics Illustrated," of course, never was worth a hot whoop in the sizzling hereafter for the serious radio builder, but it has achieved the remarkable results of degenerating from the low initial level.

"CQ" ... well, just how long has it been since you've seen in it a good article on building equipment? Takes a long memory, doesn't it?

"73" at one time prided itself on the number of "build-it-yourself" instructions it contained. It still has a few, but only a few.

"Ham Radio" always has leaned toward longer articles telling in detail some aspect of electronic theory. These have been very useful, but the appeal to the casual builder has been something less than magnificent.

"QST" tries to touch all angles, but by the time it has catered to each of the highly-diversified interests of the 100-k ARRL members, the minor-projects builder gets short shift.

At every gathering of radio amateurs you hear loud moans about the lessened feed-in of new blood into the game. And, pray tell, just how do you expect to get that new blood? No magazine tells the prospective radio amateur how to get his hands wet in the building game. It has been a coon's age and a possum's lifetime since I've heard of a newcomer building a receiver ... and dern' near' that long for a transmitter!

John Q. Public is totally isolated from amateur radio. Newspapers, when they mention amateur radio at all, in those rare instances when they don't confuse it with the CB criminals, invariably denigrate it by calling it ham radio and implying that radio amateurs are a collection of irresponsible kooks. Conventional radio receivers, even the "all-band receivers" sold to the general public, are not capable of receiving the SSB transmissions of radio amateurs. There is no interface between the general public and amateur radio; a wall of non-communication separates the two. And "radio" magazines don't help break down that wall! It's a bloody shame that there can't be a well-marked trail leading the "electronic hobbyist" to the ranks of radio amateurs. But now ... "never the twain shall meet." (In Collector and Emitter)

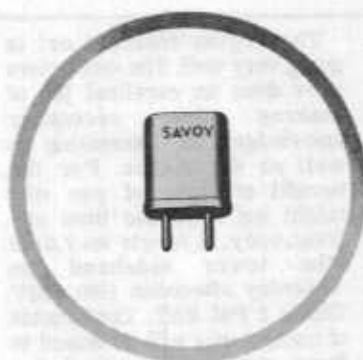
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F.A.A. man Bill Smith, WB4BZW, of South Miami was a famous WW II B-25 pilot. He is a member of the FAA Net and active on most bands. For full story on Bill read the FAA NET NEWS by W4EH, next month.

AIR FORCE MARS COLUMN

With the start of a new year let's look forward to greater things to come. We will start with the meeting coming up here in Miami at the yearly Hamboree. Mr. Leger will be herewith other area and regional officials. Perhaps by that time things will again run smoothly at headquarters, hopefully, the new secretary and Sgt. Boband will have gotten into the groove of things thereby alleviating the bulk of piled up paperwork. I hope to see you there.

The region training net is going very well. The instructors have done an excellent job of making this necessary knowledge both interesting as well as digestible. For the benefit of those of you who might not have the time and frequency, it meets on 7.3165 Mhz lower sideband on Saturday afternoon 1900 GMT. That's 2 PM EST. Certificates of competency will be issued to those successfully completing the course. All you must do, is, check in and indicate you want to be included in the class. All new members will be assigned to this net if they have the capability of getting on this frequency.

A continuing source of irritation on the HF nets has been the lack of net monitors coming up to insure the operation of the net on the proper frequency. Why is this so when we have an adequate number of people in the region with the capability to do this?

I don't know all the answers and do not propose to air any of them here, but it seems to me, we are missing the whole concept of MARS and its spirit of cooperation while this occurs. If you have any self-esteem, you still go to work and give the boss an honest days work whether you like him or not. By the same

token, you do not take a piece of equipment that was given to you and not use it for the function it was intended for. If you cannot see your way clear to do this, either give it back or get out, we don't need someone like you in the program. Chances are, you're not contributing anything worthwhile to the program anyway.

J. R. Hopkin, Jr., AFC4BND-WB4BND

NAVY MARS — SO. FLA.

By Jim Wilson, N0WCK-W4GDK

South Florida is fortunate in having quite a few MARS "Snowbirds" who have come back for the winter. They are becoming very active, taking net rep, net control assignments and helping in a great many ways. Among these are N0AOM, PEF, and KXY.

Hoping to get away from deadly night-time long skip on



MARS frequencies around 7 Mhz, So. Fla. is starting a net on 2150 KHz. Many have this frequency available on their set with merely additional heterodyne crystals. NoXXR is net manager and after some tests a definite time for the net will be established. The power is limited on this frequency, it should be very useful for distances up to 200 miles.

Headquarters is coming out with a requirement of at least 18 hours participation in any three-month period to stay in the program.

Bob Greenfield, N0GAL, Area Coord. for So. Fla. feels this is not unreasonable at all. He looks with disfavor on those who enroll in MARS just to belong.

FLORIDA DISTRICT TWO MARS

By William Budd, A4WDX

It is with great pleasure that we welcome back our good friend Jack, AD4IEEX. Hoping to make the recent District picnic meeting he decided to climb the stepladder up to the garage storage space to get his picnic basket, the ladder broke and Jack did a back-flip to the concrete floor ten feet below. Rushed to the hospital, he was placed in intensive care for two weeks. He is home now and appears to be making a complete recovery.

Our District is still working on our emergency plans. We are well enough along to begin to put some of them into effect, but hoping that it won't be necessary. From the rash of small tornadoes that have invaded our neighboring towns to the south and north of us, we are beginning to worry that our luck may be running out. Two in ten days are two too many. Grounding our antenna and diving under the bed during lightning storms gave us a small sense of security, but when the tornadoes take the whole house and scatter it all over the landscape, security, we don't got none of. Our insurance estimators say that we have lost more than a million and a half dollars in this one week.

NAVY MARS — NORTH

By Bonnie Wieboldt, WB4FSF-NoPJQ

Members were very busy during the months of November and December handling the holiday "rush" traffic.

North Florida members enjoyed a dinner meeting in Orlando on Pearl Harbor Day. This meeting was held so that members get to know each other better, and also to give the wives involved a nice evening out. Such an activity is always enjoyable.

Members are reminded that messages from Vietnam should not be delivered unless a draft date is included. Such messages arriving without the draft date should be serviced before delivery can occur.

Any suggestions for improving the Navy-Marine Corps MARS program are being welcomed by Chief, NAVMARCORMARS.

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GULF STREAM SOCIETY

Robert Lee Murray, WB4CDL

The South Florida Fair is coming up soon and preparation is now underway for an interesting display. I'm sure this will be our biggest and best display ever.

We now have legal permission for the installation of our new receiver site and expect to have it installed any day.

With the sensitivity of our receiving equipment and our new 8.5 db. antenna sitting atop a 300 foot tower, our area coverage should increase many, many times.

The transmitter is also undergoing major surgery. New power out will exceed a quarter kilowatt. Also investigation is underway for moving the transmitter site from 95 feet high to 166 feet high. We should have one of the wider coverage 28;86 repeaters in Florida.

Our HF section is improving too. Our new Tri-band beam is going up to 95 feet in the next few weeks for coverage on 10-15-20. Listen for Us.

See you next month — Bob.

F.F.A.R.A.

By Gene Rummel, WB4KUF

The monthly meeting of the FFARA was called to order by Les Brown, W4NOG and a complete discussion was held concerning the up and coming Christmas Party to be held the 16th of December. Gifts from Grice Electronics and Allied Radio Shack

in Pensacola, will be awarded to some lucky hams that attend the party. This year the ladies will also have a treat in store for them, not only will they be invited out to a very enjoyable evening of fun and food but will be able to take part in the prize drawings. Les, K0BAD-4, will be getting the ladies some wonderful gifts and he has promised to help wherever needed, one of his ideas has already been adopted so come to the party and see what it is.

The Novice class has already graduated 3 new Novices and more are to follow in the next couple of weeks. Jim Lewis, K4CFS, is the instructor and is doing a fine job with the young people. It's nice to know that hams still volunteer their services to help others. SEASON'S GREETINGS!

DELTONA HAM NEWS

Jack Six, W4YPA

1971 is drawing to a close and Deltona CD net enjoyed a very good year. The participating stations checked in net a total of 301 times and handled traffic. Next ARRL simulated emergency test will take place Jan. 29th and 30th, 1972. Hope all will take part.

Eunice, K4GBZ, and OM Ken, K4RO, checked into the State QCWA net Sunday, Nov. 11th. They are known as the "Century Kids." Both holding the 50 year award.

Harold Blough, W9SP, now living in Deltona, is on air and checking into CD net. Welcome Harold. K4AIN, Frank

Durant will be missed by many, having passed to the silent keys Nov. 12th.

By the time this goes to press the Deltona group will have held their first dinner including YLs & XYLs, having been organized almost three years. Have had report that K4SL is now living in DeBary formerly of New York.

WB4UMW, Bob, has a new 40 foot tower & beam up as well as a 75 & 40 meter trap up at his new home. Bob is having a ball working the world.

COUNTRY COUSINS

By Stan Offenhutter, K4BLM

At this time we are in the process of a possible change in our method of the election of officers. It is of great importance that members be present at our Board of Directors' meetings to voice their opinions on proposed amendments.

We are still growing and want to welcome our new Cousins: Sam, K5HCX, Hy, W4HAD, and Bill, W4CDT. It is a pleasure to have them with us.

Stan, WB4JRY, is now sporting a new linear amplifier and is doing a bang up job. Honey, W4SFQJ is back on the air after having rig trouble and it's nice to hear her pleasant voice again. Ted, K4ONY, is putting out a good sig with the new antenna.

Ed, WB4SGW; Walt, W4PWB; Dick, W4SKC; Bill, W4GHD; Cathy, W4BAV; and Helen Duncan, the XYL of Orland, W4LTW, were all on the sick list. We hope that at this time they are fully recovered.

On December 19th Santa visited the Country Cousins and families of the AIR from the NORTH POLE; more details in the next issue. We want to wish everyone a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and A HAPPY and HEALTHY NEW YEAR.

A welcome to all to join us every night at 10 p.m. EST on 3970 KHz. A certificate is given by the net, please check in for particulars.

HOLLYWOOD ARC

By Minnie Levine, W4RLS

We are starting the New Year with a good slate of officers. Tom Middleton, WB4CKY is our new president. V.P. is Bob Patten, W4OZF, Treasurer Bob Berge, W4ARX. Rec. Sec'y. is Arlene Berge, W4ARPW. Corr. Sec'y. is Georgia Yagle, WB4WTX. Commun. Officer is Kim Campbell, WB4LZQ. Joy Middleton is the Club Historian. Her call is WB4CKX.

Hollywood ARC Operations Day, Jan. 8 and 9, will celebrate the first anniversary of the Club call, WB4TON. Operation from 1700 on Saturday to 2300 on Sunday. Check 3570, 7070, 14070, 21070, 28070 CW and 3930, 7230, 14330, 21430 and 28330 SSB. Exchange RS(T) and state-province-country plus name of operator. Certificates for those working WB4TON both modes and those working WB4TON on 5 bands (any modes) Send SASE along with your QSL and a list of all contacts made with WB4TON to W4OZF, Contest Chairman, 2311 W. Nassau Drive, Miramar, Fla. 33023.

SOUTHEASTERN CHAPTER QCWA

Our regular monthly dinner was held December 2 with our visiting guest of honor, K4FMA of world travel fame.

Plans for a dinner were discussed for Saturday evening, January 22nd. This will be a state-wide convention affair with

reservations limited to 200, so get your reservations in early to the Southeastern QCWA Convention Chapter. This will be a 100 percent QCWA event, but bring your guests by all means — the more the merrier. This promises to be an interesting affair and to QCWA members will be an outstanding opportunity to meet our state-wide friends. Gus Gironda, W2JE, our Executive Secretary will be our Guest of Honor and we also have some promised surprises, so don't miss this.

WESTERN FLORIDA NEWS

Frank M. Butler Jr., W4RKH

Note new time for WFPN — 2330Z.

Pensacola: K0BAD-4 is on 80m RTTY, 850-170 Hz shift. WA30DA-4 has a new tower and rig for 6m. WB4DVM moved to a new QTH; he is having rig trouble. WB4PKW, K4FKV and WB4JHQ are experimenting with 6m facsimile. WB4JCV was reapointed EC. K4LAN has renewed OO activity since returning from Miami. WN4WWA is a new Novice.

Milton: WB4JRP is back on the air from his new QTH. WN4WXP is a new ham in Gulf Breeze.

Fort Walton: W4FDJ, WB4UFG and WB4TPR are active on QFTN; TPR is NCS on Wednesdays. W4WNY is active on 75m SSB and 40m CW from Niceville. K8KFS-4 is an AF Weather Officer at Hurlburt, WB4NHH got tired of problems with his commercial gear and is building his own! WB4KX, W4UXW and W4BYE are teaching a Novice class at Choctaw H.S. Defuniak Springs: WB4WTB, CD Director for Walton County, just got his ticket.

Panama City: New PCARC officers are WA4JMC, President, plus WB4GAO, WB4LEL and WB4NEQ. K4VYF worked all Sections and got a nice score in SS.

Chilpey: WN4PVH now has a Tech. ticket. W4IKB and family spent holidays in Arizona.

Bloomington: WB4UQH installed an HR-2A FM mobile.

Marianna: WB4YBO is a new ham on 2m. W4KCA renewed EC appointment.

My sincere thanks for your vote of confidence in returning me as SCM for another term.

WEST PALM BEACH

Clara B. Stables, WB4NXX

WB4OUH and WB4PWF returned from their whirlwind tour of Colombia, having been entertained royally by Liga Colombiana de Radio Aficionados. January 19 at 8:00 P.M., at McArthur's Dairy, Bill and Wayne will put on a narrated slide program of their travels. Area hams and the general public are invited.

W4BRB and WB4OUH will journey to VP7 Land, Grand Bahama, January 29 to defend world's championship in the CQ WW 160 meter contest.

December 11 and 12, Club Station W4HAW, multi-operated in ARRL 160 meter contest.

ORLANDO ARC

By Herb, W4LSR

Francis J. Durand, K4AIN, joined our club on September 15, 1971. He became a Silent Key in November. What a pity. We didn't even have time to get acquainted with him. Dick, W4SKC, has been in and out of the hospital again. He has been

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CLUB NEWS

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having a rough time.

At our November meeting, we took in these regular members: William Aitken, WA4PCK, David Grubbs, WN4WHK, and Oliver Grubbs, WB4ICD. Our new associate members are Norman Roberts, James Werline and Robert Green. This brought our paid-up total to exactly 100.

TAMPA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB NEWS

By Frank Shannon, K4GT

To all of our TARC members who are conspicuous by their absences from our regular 1st and 3rd Monday meetings — you are certainly missing some very fine programs under the guiding hand of our Chairman, Program Committee, Al Cito, WA4MXV. Al also is desirous of a renewed drive to revitalize our club activities — to make TARC attractive to potential new members, especially younger amateurs.

In response our President, K4EUK, Frank Ziegler, has stressed a type of show and tell program for our future meetings. In other words, bring a piece of gear, such as an accessory-type equipment to a meeting and tell about it, technically and operationally. Also, to those aforementioned absentees reading this column, TARC has received a renewal of our club-lease (club-house) from Mayor Greco of city of Tampa. Seward and Helen Patton have re-joined us for their usual winter-months stay — and have already participated in the manning of a booth display of Ham Radio at recent Hobby Show held in the city auditorium, Curtis-Hixon Hall. And, as usual, Seward and Helen are ready for their usual excellent participation in TARC's booth-activities. Ham Station at annual Florida State Fair, held early in coming February, 1972.

BROWARD A.R.C.

By Jim Wilson, W4GDK

An interesting year of growth was finished in a blaze of glory with an exciting Christmas Party at Tropical Acres Restaurant in Dania on Saturday, Dec. 4.

Sixty-four hams and their mates followed a merry Happy Hour with a delicious filet mignon dinner with all the fixings.

After a salute to the Flag led by Cliff Trotter, K4BBH, who has been very helpful to the club this year, there was

installation of the following officers for 1972: Pres. Larry Young, K4LXV; V.P. Ruth Christian, WA4HED; Sec'y. Roy McCarty, W4RM; Treas. Jim Davis, WB4PRS; and C.O. Carl Schwendfeier, W4PGW. Directors are: Cliff Decker, WB4TPC; Oliver Lovendahl, W4AHZ; John McNamara, WB4SFG; Drew Mulhollen, WB4LJV; Roy Parks, WB4QND. We must give them our full support.



SUNCOAST CHAPTER

By Bill Soehl, W4GHR

Another well attended meeting of the Suncoast Chapter was held on Wed., Dec. 1st, at the Windjammer Restaurant, in Sarasota.

Election of officers for the coming year, was held and all new officers were elected unanimously. It is a real good working state, with plenty of new ideas for building our Suncoast Chapter to still greater attendance.

The new officers will be Chairman, W4BGO - Ben Letson, of Sarasota (the Q.C.W.A.'s champion CW contact man); Vice-Chairman, W4AMJ - Frank Lester (ex: W2AMJ), of Englewood (Frank holds No. 13 in the Natl. QCWA charter member list and also No. 13 in the Suncoast Chapter charter member list — lucky Frank!); Secretary-Treasurer, K4FTX - Al Hiser, of Sarasota, who I'm sure is just the right man we need to take care of all that money the Suncoast Chapter has stowed away.

GATOR CHAPTER REPORT

By K4PI

The November meeting of the Gator Chapter was held at the Causeway Inn in Tampa Saturday noon, November 20 with a total attendance of members, wives or guests about 65. In order to obtain the quota necessary to continue meetings at the same location it was decided to ask the feminine contingent to join the men in the main dining room.

As planned, nominations of officers for the coming year were held. The nominating committee came up with three names for Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary-Treasurer, it being decided to combine the latter two functions. There were no nominations from the floor and the individuals proposed by the nominating

committee were unanimously approved and elected as follows: Chairman, Jack Faulstich W4CXL; Vice Chairman, Harold Grigsby K4MFF; and Secretary-Treasurer, Lew Sieck K4NE.

EVERGLADES AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

By DICK DOWST WB4HZK

The Everglades Amateur Radio Club held its regular monthly meeting on Friday November 12, 1971 and as usual we had a very fine meeting with coffee and goodies served afterwards.

Well, it is again time for the nomination of candidates for the club offices for the coming year. We wish to express our thanks to the nominating committee for the very fine job that they did. They came up with a very fine list of well qualified candidates for the various offices for the coming year. From this report it is evident that a lot of time and consideration had been put into the project.

We wish to welcome two new novices into the club, not as new members as both have been attending the meetings for a number of months now, but, on becoming licensee amateurs. One is Rick Buckels, WN4WXB and Bob Landress, WN4WXC, his sidekick, and as you can see from the call letters they both took and passed the novice exams at the same time.

HARS NEWS

By Roy Scott, W4UHF

The TAMPA HAMFEST is now history, and a fine turn-out of an estimated 2,000 visitors made it an outstanding and most enjoyable event. This was HARS first two-day event. While every effort was made to provide for the convenience and comfort of our guests, valuable suggestions made by some visitors will be put into effect at the next TAMPA HAMFEST.

At the last general meeting of HARS, Jim Yost, W4ORA, was elected President. Bob Schappert, WN4NZJ, Vice-President. Joe Fara, WA4ZYG, re-elected as Treasurer, and Gil Lucas, WN4SZJ, was elected as Club Secretary. Lance Lastinger, WN4VHW, and Steve Conrad, W4ASRV, as well as Russel Duink, WB4QPY; Chet Morgan, K4LUC; and Ray Murphy, W4BNE are new HARS members of the Board of Directors. Our congratulations to the new officers.

Bob Williams, WB4IQH, is the new editor of the club publication HARS SCOPE. Bob has some good ideas he is going to put into effect in the Club Bulletin, and will welcome newsmen. His phone is 932-4098. We wish Bob "happy hunting" in the quest for news. 73.

SUNCOAST ROVING REPORTER

By Cathy Soehl, W4BAV-ARNS

The SPARCYS Xmas Party, announced in last month's column, to be held at W4BIL, Fran Foley's Dec. 5th, had to be cancelled account of illness.

SPARC (St. Petersburg Amateur Radio Club) elected unanimously the following officers for 1972: Pres., W4CXL - Jack Faulstich; V-Pres., W4FCW - James Keys; Sec.-Treas., W4TDK - Naomi Spence. Congratulations and a successful 1972! A Xmas Party was held after regular meeting.

W4PT, "Doc" Barclay, became a Silent Key recently. He and his XYL, Marion (deceased) will be remembered and missed by SPARC members.

W0DX, Robert Dennison, President of ARRL, is now a Florida resident and a member of SPARC. Welcome to the Suncoast and to SPARC.

K4KKK, Jim Clark, celebrated his 88th birthday Nov. 5th. No one can believe Jim is that old and particularly when he continually climbs any height tower and is our antenna expert. Congratulations, Jim!

SARASOTA AMATEUR RADIO ASSN.

By Cathy Soehl, W4BAV-ARNS

Sarasota Amateur Radio Assoc. members and guests enjoyed an interesting and enlightening program when color film "Gateways to the Mind" was presented, at their November meeting.

S.A.R.A. elected unanimously the following officers for 1972: President, WB4ISZ; Vice-Pres., K4DYB; Secretary, WB4AQV and WB4PIB, Treasurer. Congratulations to the new officers and thanks to the retiring officers for a fine job done in '71.

Glad to report WB4JSZ, Newt Magnuson, is fully recuperated from recent surgery.

Hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. How about making a New Year's resolution (and keeping it!) to attend club meetings, bringing a friend or another ham to meetings and participating in the club activities. Remember it is YOUR club so back up your officers and join in the fun.

W4GHR, Bill and W4BAV, Cathy Soehl enjoyed a visit from K4GZ, Charlie and Minna May Louis, of Port Salerno.

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By George E. Cooper, W4EH
IN MEMORIAM — W4ZL

This is the story of W4ZL, Harold J. Burhop. Although Harold is a silent key, his memory will be around for a long time and his accomplishments, dedication to duty, family and country should serve as a goal for all of us.

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Harold used to tell many tales of the old days such as getting all the cars in town out and light up the runway so a plane could make an emergency landing. But the one that always tickled me was the time the inquisitive field employee stood with his nose against the screen of the front door. Harold pushed the key of the old arc transmitter and the startled employee jumped back with a perfect print of the screen burned on his nose!

Harold was the CW operator that you hear about but seldom see. He could easily copy one message behind. His sending was perfect but still with a style that could be identified by anyone familiar with it. On the ham bands he rarely went over 20 WPM and frequently much slower, especially to a newcomer.

After retirement he and his XYL Inez moved into a 28 foot Airstream trailer.

Each winter they spent in southern U.S. He was always on the air from where ever they happened to be, checking into the FAA and Airstream nets.

In the fall of 1970 Harold was unable to shake off extreme tiredness and passed away on June 30, 1971.

Harold can not be replaced but we can all emulate his spirit and dedication. Harold's KWM2 was obtained by W4JVA and his rig lives on with his many FAA friends throughout the world through the voice of our net control.

QFN REPORT

Frank N. Haas, WB4HKP

You probably don't realize it but QFN is doing better each year. Statistics for November show a total QNI of 889 stations, averaging 14.8 stations per session. Total traffic handled was 677, with an average per session of 11.3. Total time in session was 1548 minutes, averaging 25.8 minutes per session. The rate was 1.437. According to Buddy, WB4OMG, Net Manager, all these figures show an increase over November 1970.

TOP TWENTY TRAFFIC TAKERS

By W4KGJ

1.	WB4AIW	730	11.	WA4NBT	156
2.	WB4QVO	369	12.	KOBAD-4	153
3.	WB4OMG	366	13.	W4ILE	145
4.	WA4IJH	332	14.	W4SDR	140
5.	K4VFI	254	15.	WB4HJW	123
6.	WB4SBD	251	16.	W4DQS	88
7.	WB4NCH	228	17.	W4NGR	82
8.	W4FPC	199	18.	WB4MIQ	82
9.	WB4HKP	193	19.	WB4HML	81
10.	W4DVO	180	20.	K4FAC	71

TRAFFIC HOUNDS

By W4KGJ

NET	QNI	AVG.	QTC	AVG.	SESSIONS
FMTN	856	33.0	419	16.1	26
QFN	889	14.8	677	11.3	60
GN	419	14.0	326	10.9	30
FAST	789	30.3	151	5.8	26
FPTN	456	17.5	133	5.1	26
TPTN	374	14.4	114	4.4	26
QFTN	82	3.3	16	.7	25
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WORLD SKIP

By Phil Reid, WB4ONC

1971 has ended, and looking back, '71 was a great year for DXers. Conditions remained good throughout the year even though the sunspot cycle began declining rapidly about mid-year. Many new and rare countries were activated this year by DX-peditions. Probably the most successful and noteworthy was Marty's DX-pedition to Fernando Poo and Anabon. This was the first time that Anabon had ever been activated. Hopefully 1972 will be as fruitful as '71 was.

RARE COUNTRIES ACTIVE:

TR8 - Gabon Rep. - TR8DG works by a list around 21.300 at 1930Z with W8KGR MCing the list.

VR1 - British Phoenix 8 There is much increased activity from this spot with VR1C reported active on 14.021 at 0430Z also VR1W transmitting on 14.194 listening 205 around 1500Z.

9Q5 - Zaire Rep. - The Congo Rep. has now changed its name to the Zaire Rep. 9Q5PF is active on 21.323 at 1730Z.

MP4M - Masirah Island - MP4MBC on 21.318 at 1400Z. QSL to G3XEC.

MP4T - Trucil Oman - MP4TDM is active from Ras Al Khaimah. Sam skeds GW3AHN on Fridays at 1830Z and listens on 14.265 afterwards. QSL to K1DRN.

9NCTY - Nepal - This station is reported active on 14.220 between 0100 to 0200Z. QSL via W9CTY.

YA1 - Afghanistan - YA1OS is on 14.210 at 1330Z and YA1AG is reported on 14.252 at 0340Z.

Swan Island is now officially being turned over to Honduras. Swan Island's new call is still uncertain but it will probably be some variation of the HR prefix, possibly an HR0.

Don't forget that the only Cambodian ok'd by the FCC is XU1AA. If you work any other Cambodian besides XU1AA you are violating the FCC rule on this.

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SILENT KEYS

We are deeply sorry to report the passing of the following amateurs:

K4AIN, Frank J. Durand, Sanford.

WN4TBJ, William Briggs, Temple Terrace.

W4IR, Delisle E. Heisler, Tampa.

K4EVZ, Howard A. Scholz, Holiday.

W3AX, Thomas Appleby, 85, Washington, D.C.

W4DQO, Paul Brake, Miami.

Important: K4GT, Frank J. Shannon, Sr., Tampa was listed in Dec. QST as a Silent Key. This is not the case. A radiogram to Ye Ed from K4GT says someone sent unsigned card to QST saying he passed on. Frank is STILL very active on 6 meters in Tampa area!

Pinellas Community Service Center
2639 - 9th St. N.
Mailing address: P.O. Box 4026
For information phone: 360-7198 or 895-4387

ORLANDO AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC. W4PLB

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First Federal Savings & Loan
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Address: 8024 Charlton Parkway,
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2 Meter Net—145.350 kHz.
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FLORIDORA YLs (W4FE)

All licensed Florida YLs invited to join.
Mailing Address:
W4KOH—Ernie McMasters
Rt. 1, Box 551
Lake Placid, Fla. 33852
1400Z on 3933 Tues.

DADE COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO PUBLIC SERVICE CORPS, W4EHW

Meets every 2nd and 4th Thurs.
Pace High School - 7:15 PM
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Service to the public is our constant concern.

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Meetings: 1st & 3rd Mondays
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Club House: Davis Islands,
Columbia & Barbados
Mailing Address: 943 Cimmeron Ave.,
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SARASOTA AMATEUR RADIO ASSN. INC.

Meets 3rd Tuesday of each month
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At Sarasota Federal (S. Gate Branch)
Club Call W4IE in memory of Charlie Service.

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P.O. Box 6834
Southboro Station
West Palm Beach, Florida 33405
Meetings: First Wednesday of each month—7:30 P.M.
823 Newark Street
West Palm Beach, Florida 33401
Information: Call 833-0775, 582-2337.

SOUTH MIAMI RADIO CLUB, INC.

K4JVA 1st Fri., 8 p.m.
Coral Gables Police Station
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More info call:
446-2478 or 236-2583

DAYTONA BEACH AMATEUR RADIO ASSOC. K4BV

Meets 3rd Mon. each month
1st Fed. Bank Bldg.
501 N. Grandview
Mail: P.O. Box 1508
Daytona Beach, Fla. 32015

NET NEWS

(Cont. from Page 11)

acquired the office in July, I have only had to net control the FAST net myself five times ... that shows to me the reliability of my staff, and to draw a not-to-hasty conclusion, I think the FAST net has the best net control staff in the state.

I would like to thank W4NGR, W4ANNB, W4SNP, W4GUY, K4SCL, K4QYV and our most recent addition W4JXSX for their work as net controls.

FLORIDA MID-DAY TRAFFIC NET

By Herb, W4LSR
Our Assistant Manager Kelley,

PLAYGROUND AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Mailing address: P.O. Box 873
Ft. Walton Beach, Fla. 32548
Meetings—Social Meeting 1st Thursday,
Business Meeting 3rd Thursday.
Meet at the old Police Station on 1st St.

HOLLYWOOD AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

3rd Monday of month at 8 p.m.
Science Lab, Chaminade High School
51st Ave. and Johnson St., Hollywood
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 6306,
Hollywood, Fla. 33021 WB4TON
Visitors always welcome.

FORT MYERS AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Meets 1st Wednesday of month at 7:30 p.m.
First Federal Savings & Loan Assn.
Pondella Road (SR 78-A)
North Fort Myers
Sec: 193 Meta St., Fort Myers, Fla. 33905
(814-3564)

BRANDON AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY WB4RNC

Meets second Mon. 7:30 P.M.
First Federal Hospitality Room
420 Brandon Blvd. (Highway 60)
Mail Address: P.O. Box 828,
Brandon, Fla. 33511 Phone 689-2616

NORTH FLORIDA AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY W4IZ

2nd Thursday, 7:30 P.M.
Duval CD Headquarters
107 Market Street
Jacksonville, Fla. 32202

CLEARWATER AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 7 p.m.
at Florida Power Linemen's Hall,
2166 Palmetto St., Clearwater.
Pres. Norman Mesker, WB4GYB
Visitors warmly welcomed.

TAMPA BAY REPEATER ASSOCIATION WB4HAE

Meets second Tuesday each month at 1930
Tampa Civil Defense Headquarters
309 Brush Street, Tampa
Mail to P.O. Box 2812,
Tampa, Florida 33601
Phone: St. Petersburg 347-2270

W4FJA, is still ill and unable to join us on the net. Our best wishes for his recovery. We envy Bill, WB4OUH, his expense paid junket to SA as Amateur Radio's Good Will Ambassador. Bill, K4GJ, flew to six-land for the Thanksgiving holiday. He expects to return in December. Joe, WB0BA-4 also went home to Daytona for the holiday and visited Clyde, W4SDR, while there. Gene, formerly WB4SQZ, is now K4SP and uses the phonetics "sneaky pete." Chub, WB4TAS, will be our OBS as soon as his appointment is confirmed.

Ruth, W4HED, is teaching her new dog the Morse code. She named him Prince Boudoin because he is a Belgian Shepard. Don't forget, our new SCM, Reg, W4ILE, needs those station activity reports each month, no matter how small your totals may be, and Clyde hopes we will all sharpen up and be ready for SET in January.

Welcome to our new members who joined us in November, Ken, K4EYN, and Art, W4BNM, both in St. Pete., John, WB4TPJ, in Maderia Beach, Walt, WB4QFH, in West Palm Beach, and Skip, WB4VHA, in Atlanta.

FMTN held 26 sessions in November. 856 stations passed 419 pieces of traffic. Average stations 33, average traffic 15.1. Happy Holidays to you and yours from W4LSR & W4ITP.

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FOR SALE: HW12A \$75. New PC Board Part No. 30031 for Galaxy 5 Mk 3 or GT 550 Oscillator \$8. Jack Six, W4YPA, 1081 Cobblestone Avenue, Deltona, FL 32733.

FOR SALE: Motorola T33AAT Dispatcher 2-Meter FM transceivers in good condition, \$45. With the accessories, \$65. COMM-TECH COMMUNICATIONS, INC., Suite 7, 8183 N.E. 2nd Avenue, Miami, FL 33138, Phone (305) 759-3024.

FOR SALE: Collins 75S3B, Serial No. 85293 with RTTY and extra xtals and panel for rack mount, \$450. Forrest K. Haynes, K4YPO, 4419 Forest Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406.

FOR SALE: Regency HR-2, in excellent condition with Topeka Preamp installed. Valued new at \$245. Will sell for \$185. Ship anywhere in Florida. Tom Branan, WB4KQE, P.O. Box 1129, Ocala, FL 32670. Phone daytime (904) 622-4137.

FOR SALE: Collins 32V3 Transmitter \$30.00; audio section has been deactivated but still is excellent CW transmitter. Has plug in diode rectifiers. Must be picked up at my QTH. John Webb, W4NE, 818 Obispo Ave., Coral Gables, FL 33134.

NOTE: W4VCY has some openings in both the Saturday morning and afternoon theory and code class. No charge for this service. Nine class members now on the air. Any male over 18 in the New Port Richey-Tarpon Springs area can call 937-8871 for an interview.

WANTED: New Florida ham needs 40-50 ft. crank up tilt over tower. Not hinged base. Also matchbox and filter. Geo. May, K4GQP, 2080 Michigan Avenue, NE, St. Petersburg, FL 33703. Advise price and location.

FOR SALE: Coax 1 1/2 inch copper 51.1 Ohms, high frequency high power. Have 400 feet and asking \$200.00. Wilson Newman, W4EYT, 5320 S.W. 66th St., Miami, FL 33143 Phone (305) 271-3006.

OPERATIONS DAY

The Hollywood Amateur Radio Club proudly announces its first annual Operation's Day celebrating the first anniversary of its club call, WB4TON. We expect to have at least two transmitters in operation for the full 30 hour period and offer special QSL cards and certificates to participating stations.

Date: January 8 and 9, 1972.
Time: 1700Z Saturday to 2300Z Sunday.

FREE — details on newest and best of the 2 meter FM handy talkies. CARL EAGLE ELECTRONICS, Granite Quarry, N.C. 28072.

HELP ... URGENTLY NEED schematic for Browning Labs scope OL-23A serial 245, F. S. McCullough, W4WWH, Rte. A-2, Box 236, Dunnellon, FL 32630.

FOR SALE: Heavy duty full size 2 element 40 meter beam, full size 3 element 20 meter beam on same boom. Designed, custom built by commercial manufacturer, new never in air. Cost \$850. sell for \$350. From Estate. Cash only. Reply, Administrator, c/o P.O. Box 8401, Orlando, FL 32806 Phone (305) 855-8702.

FOR SALE: Teletype, Model 19 (table, TD, Tape pref.) Complete. Very good condition. Can arrange delivery in Florida, \$125. Also Model 30 TTY (tape printer) with T.U. \$125. WANTED: Model 28 or newer, J. B. Thaxton, 1004 So. 13th Street, Ft. Pierce, FL 33450 Phone (305) 481-8994.

FOR SALE: HALLICRAFTERS SR-100 xcvr 75, 40 & 20 meter bands. 500 kHz of each band \$175.00. Firm, J. C. Scott, WB4JKK, P.O. Box 1364, Inverness, FL 32650.

Frequencies:

CW	SSB
3570	3930
7070	7230
14070	14330
21070	21430
28070	28530

Exchange: RST, state, province, or country, and name of operator.

Awards: Special QSL's to stations making contact with WB4TON during the 30 hour period. Certificates to stations working WB4TON on both CW and SSB. Certificates to stations working WB4TON on 5 bands. (Any combination of CW and SSB).

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W4OZF, Contest Chairman
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FOR SALE: Heathkit SB100 SSB-CW transceiver, excellent condition, built-in cooling fan, new finals, recently retuned, with: SB600 matching speaker and HP23A AC power supply, \$275. Hy-gain TH6DX tri-band beam with Ham-M rotator, BN86 balun and all cables, \$130. New Ten-Tec PM3, \$50, DX-100B, \$45, NC240D, \$70. John Parker, K4OAC, 3605 Rogero Road, Jacksonville, FL 32211.

TELETYPES — m-15 auto CR - LF \$27.50. Tape winders (wind-up) \$12.50. Gears galore. Send SASE for complete list. WANTED: LXD's any condition; all parts; models 32 and 33. TYPETRONICS, Box 8877, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33310 - W4NYP.

FOR SALE: Andrews foam filled VHF low loss coax 52 ohms. Have one length 61 foot at 20 cents per foot and 3 lengths at 15 feet for 15 cents per foot. No ship. Allied Novice 50 watt transmitter \$32.00. P&H 400 watt linear. Beautiful shape with 3 spare finals, manuals \$80.00. RG11-U, like new 10c per foot. Coax fittings male and female 40c each. QSTs, CQs same 73's 10c each my choice, 10c each. Some complete years \$1.50 pick up only or add postage. Andy Clark, W4IYT, 41 Lenape Dr., Miami Springs, FL 33166 Phone 888-3874.

FOR SALE: Collins 312B-5 console for KWM-2. Excellent condition. \$265.00. Stark Totman, W4YB, P.O. Box 912, Stuart, FL 33484.

FOR SALE: 50 foot base plate tower - heavy duty \$35.00. Three 10 foot sections; one 20 foot section, down and ready to travel. Also have 60 foot, 10 foot section heavy duty tower. Windmill type brand new can be used commercially \$350.00. Jim Lauritsen, K4FQP, 3204 West Debaran St., St. Petersburg Beach, FL Phone 360-8989.

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FOR SALE: Heath Solid state model IM-25, just returned from factory, mint \$60.00. Turner 454-C SSB mike, new \$15.00. Channelmaster chorale, tape recorder, in very good condition with 7 inch (6) monaural \$40.00. Can be seen at my QTH. Peter J. Stevenson W4DUL, 11346 S.W. 172nd St., Miami, FL 33157 (West Park) Phone 305-233-4537.

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Island. Learned about your paper — please send me the last edition as I want to subscribe to FLORIDA SKIP.

Year ago I was W8KI expired in 1939. Now I have to start all over again. Am preparing for a Novice then will take General.

Am looking for some good gear or hardware for 15, 20, 40 and 80 meters plus antennas. Hope to be on soon.

E. Reynolds
277 Skiff Place
Sanibel Island, FL 33967

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Editor:

Our mutual friend, Tom Appleby, W3AX, became a Silent Key November 16, 1971. He had another in a series of strokes. He was a patient at the Naval Hospital in Bethesda, Md.

I was only aged twelve when I first met Tom in Philadelphia, Pa. Due to my being an orphan, Tom was like an older big brother to me. He then had the wireless store located in the Pipe Loft (attic area) of a tall building known as the Parkway Building at Broad and Cherry Streets, Philadelphia. He had been the founder of the oldest wireless telegraphy school in America. I was a graduate of this school and passed my commercial radio operator, U.S. Dept. of Commerce license in later part of 1916. I already had the amateur license "3WK". We kept up our close friendship down thru these years!

I am rushing this photo in case you desire to publish it in Skip. Even tho' Tom was not a Florida resident ham he is known to many of QCWA, OOTC, VWOA, AKRL members who are now residents of Florida who read Skip. I feel certain your using the photo or any part of the story-letter would be attractive to all SKIP's readers.

Frank Shannon, K4GT
Tampa, Fla.

Editor:

Thought I should write and tell you about the passing of Bill Briggs, WN4TBJ of Temple, Tampa recently who was one of the pioneers of amateur radio in Mass. between 1910 and 1925. He was 78 years old. He used to play around as a small boy with spark coils, crystal detector, etc. Later he had the call WLJTO in Brockton, Mass.

He was one of 8 or so 65 to 80 year old oldtimers who arranged to QSO each day, with Joe of WN4ULO, W4ELY, W4COL, WN4SRU, WN4RXS and W8YPP-4.

Another note of interest — can anyone beat this "age range" in QSO ... WN4RXS age 75 called CQ and was answered by WN2BDA age 10.

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Editor:

My pet peeve is the extra class licensees who I always thought were the "elite of ham radio" always create QRM on top of WIAW code practice.

One evening 5 minutes before WIAW comes on, I turned to the frequency and it is clear, but soon as WIAW starts their code practice about 5 or 6 guys jump on and call CQ and QSO.

I think it would be a good idea to publish an article about this.

Ralph Silence, WN4SJB
Age 64, disabled
Lutz, Fla.

Editor:

Congratulations on your accomplishment as OVERALL CATEGORY WINNER in the recent contest by Amateur Radio News Service.

FLORIDA SKIP has always been a real Prize winner and I am glad to know that your efforts are continuing to be recognized.

The reliability and accuracy of your editing is not only noteworthy, but very refreshing. The promptness by which you conduct the mailing is also very important and most certainly deserves the praise of each subscriber.

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OUR FLORIDA SKIP STAFF CONTINUES TO GROW. Here is wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year. Andy (13), Nancy (10), Joan & Jane (6), and Anne and Mary (12).

FLA. ARRL SECTION RESTRUCTURING

By Ken, W4SMK

Regarding a possible restructuring of the Fla. ARRL sections the following facts should be noted. First, any decision to restructure made by the committee will not be "final." The proposed plan will have to be accepted or rejected by vote of all the Fla. ARRL members. If a change is accepted new elections for League officials will then be held in the new section(s). W. Fla. is all counties West of Suwannee River.

There are 67 counties in Fla., but just five of the counties (in E. Fla.) contain 50 percent of the population. Fla. is a big growth State and several counties in E. Fla. are among the fastest growing in the nation. The present W. Fla. Section contains 21 counties and 8 percent of the Fla. ARRL members. E. Fla. contains 46 counties and 92 percent of the ARRL members. The SCM (and SEC) of E. Fla. administer twice as many counties and eleven times as many amateurs as do the officials of W. Fla. Administration cost .23 cents E. Fla., \$.05 W. Fla. per member for a two year period.

If Fla. is to remain divided into two sections there are obvious reasons for equalizing the sections in area and population. Potential growth must be considered so that an imbalance will not occur soon again. It is not likely that the W. Fla. Section will match the rest

OFFICIAL BULLETINS

Once again, WB4HKP of Miami Beach is transmitting ARRL and other Bulletins, Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 2330 GMT on 3650 kHz. Frank has offered to transmit "general type bulletins" if mailed to his home address. His bulletins are excellent code practice in the 18 to 20 WPM range. Give a listen.

of Fla. in population growth in the future. So the only alternatives are to form one section in Fla., or redraw the boundary lines of the present two sections.

Formation of three Fla. sections, by splitting E. Fla. into two equal parts, would still leave W. Fla. with 8 percent of the amateurs, and the other two sections with 46 percent each. This would hardly be an improvement and would complicate administration at ARRL headquarters.

Your suggestions, prior to Jan. 22, 1972, may be directed to any of the following committee members: W4ILE (chairman), W4IYT, W4SMK, W4RKH, W4IKB, WB4EQU, W4IA, or W4YPX. We welcome your assistance.

FLA. PUBLIC SERVICE CORPS

Ken, W4SMK

The National Simulated Emergency Test will be the weekend of Jan. 29 and 30, 1972. We are really going to have to go some to beat our last year results in the SET, but let's get busy now and plan to do just that. The Tropical Hamboree will be on the preceding weekend, so that should get us warmed up for the SET and ready for action.

All Emergency Coordinators please send in your written reports this year, no matter how large or small your local activities are. Let them hear from you up in Newington. We did not have any real storms to worry about this year, so let's go all out on the SET. The SET is an amateur activity held on the amateur bands, so whether you favor Civil Defense, MARS, or whatever, if you hold an amateur license you should be active in the SET.

All Emergency Coordinators in the E. Fla. Section who have not sent me (W4SMK) a Form 5 monthly report in the last six months kindly do so for the month of December 1971. You can use the postcard Form 5 or just a radiogram, but please try

BOONDOCKS SWAPFEST

The Playground Amateur Radio Club, the largest Amateur Radio Club in Fort Walton Beach, Florida announces the 2nd Annual Florida Boondocks Swapfest, to be held at the Community Center located on Highway 98, on March 19, 1972 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Talk in on 146.94, 34-76, and 3957 Khz. Tickets and details are available from the Playground Amateur Radio Club, P.O. Box 873, Fort Walton Beach, Florida 32548.

HAM-O-RAMA

The Fort Myers Amateur Radio Club, Inc. will hold a "HAM-O-RAMA" on January 8, 1972 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Saturday) in Tice at the District 5, Community Hall.

There will be an Auction, Flea Market, etc., of radio gear. Several commercial firms will have ham merchandise on display.

Something doing for everyone, hams, YL's, XYL's and children.

Everyone is welcome to this "just a plain old get together."

Take Palm Beach Blvd. (SR 80) to Tice. Turn north at traffic light at the intersection of SR 80B. There is a Baptist Church on the N.W. corner which is Florence St. Go north to District 5 Hall just past the Lions Club Building.

to get them to me by Jan. 5. I'm sure that W4IKB would be glad to hear from all of you in W. Fla., also.

Please see my column elsewhere in this issue of SKIP regarding the restructuring of the Fla. ARRL Sections. No matter how this business is resolved the one thing we do not want to do in the process is to harm the very good relations between the amateurs in the present E. and W. Fla. Sections. A compromise will probably have to be worked out, with each section giving something in the way of population, area, prestige, etc. W4ILE, the chairman of the committee has been doing a great deal of work, and has gathered much information to help the committee make a wise plan. Whatever the committee decides every ARRL member in Fla. will have the chance to vote on the issue.

— COMING EVENTS —

Ham-O-Rama, Fort Myers	Jan. 8
Miami Tropical Hamboree	Jan. 22-23
A.R.R.L. Set	Jan. 29-30
Broward Auction Fest	Mar. 11
Boondock Swapfest Ft. Walton Beach	Mar. 19